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SUBJECT: UNHRC ELECTION: TURKISH MFA SIGNALS INTENT TO VOTE  
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Classified By: POL External Chief David Burger for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) Deploying ref b points, we informed MFA Heads of Department Dinc (Multilateral Affairs) and Buyukkarakas (Russia, Belarus, Ukraine) on May 10 of the new state of play on UN Human Rights Council elections. Dinc responded that the GOT as a matter of policy does not reveal its UN votes ahead of time, but added that the Buyukkarakas' office had strongly recommended against Belarus for the UNHRC. Later on May 10, French poloff Raymond informed us that he had separately demarched Dinc on the issue, and Dinc responded that "you will be pleased with our choice." Based on this, it appears that Turkey will support Slovenia and Bosnia for the UNHRC, not Belarus.

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